Committee to Review Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme

1752. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had constituted a Committee to review the scheme of the Navodaya Vidyalayas in 1999, which is mainly meant for rural children;

(b) if so, its members and terms of reference;

(c) whether any sitting or retired Parliamentarians/social activists/ representatives of rural population/NIEPA/CBSE/IFD of Ministry of Finance, etc. have not been nominated in the Committee;

(d) if so, the details of corrective action taken/contemplated till date; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) to (e) The Government has decided to conduct two simultaneous reviews of the scheme of Navodaya Vidyalayas one policy review by a Committee under the chairmanship of Additional Secretary, Department of Education to undertake a comprehensive review of the policies relating to various aspects of the functioning of the scheme and an evaluation of the performance of Navodaya Vidyalayas by Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad. The name of the members of policy review committee are enclosed in statement attached. *(See* below*)* The review Committee will invite the agencies interested in or involved with Navodaya Vidalaya Scheme for their views and ideas. In this exercise, agencies like NIEPA, CBSE, IFD, State Governments, students and parents will also be consulted. It is felt that this would make the proposed review sufficiently broad based and as such no changes in the framework already envisaged are considered necessary.

Statement

Committee to Review Navodaya Vidyalaya scheme by Shri Gaya singh, MP

LIST OF MEMBERS OF REVIEW COMMITTEE ON NAVODAYA VIDYALAYA SCHEME

1.	Shri K.S. Sarma,Additional Secretary (EDU)	—	Chairman
2.	Dr. J.S. Rajput,Director, NCERT	—	Member
3.	Shri M.M. Jha, Joint Secretary (SE) Department of Education.	—	Member
4.	Joint Adviser (Educations), Planning Commission	—	Member
5.	Dr. Saroj Srivastava, Ex-Deputy Director, NVS	—	Member
6.	Smt. Lizzie Jacob, Ex-Commissioner, KVS	—	Member
7.	Director, NVS	—	Convenor.

Opening of Navodaya and Kendriya Vidyalayas in Assam

1753. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the location-wise details of Navodaya Vidyalayas proposed to be opened by Government in Assam during the next two years;

(b) whether Government also have a proposal to open some Kendriya Vidyalayas in Assam; and

(c) if so, by when these Vidyalayas are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) Out of existing Districts in the State of Assam, 19 Districts have already been covered under Navodaya Vidyalaya scheme. The proposal in respect of Distt. Dhemaji is under consideration. In respect of remaining Districts, namely Dhubri, Nagaon and North Cachar Hills, opening of JNVs will depend upon receipt of suitable proposals from the State Government.

(b) and (c) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan have received proposals for opening new KVs at Sibsagar and Dibrugarh, but due to fund constraints there does not seem to be a possibility of their opening.